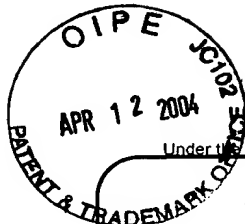


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On November 18, 2003 the patent office mailed a Notice of Abandonment in the above referenced United States patent application as a result of a purported failure to respond to the outstanding office action dated March 19, 2003.

Contrary to these assertions, the undersigned submits that Applicant submitted a timely response which was actually received by the patent office in a timely manner as detailed below. Accordingly, Applicant request that the abandoned status of this application be withdrawn and the Examiner now consider Applicant's response to the outstanding office action.

In support of this petition the undersigned notes that Applicant filed a timely Request for Continued Examination prior to expiration of the six-month period with the requisite fees

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and request for extension of time to respond as well as a cover sheet referencing the express mailing label and a certificate of mailing. A copy of each these documents is attached along with the preliminary amendment accompanying the RCE. The documents were submitted via express mail on September 19, 2003 via mailing label number ET910403511US.

The patent office apparently received the Request for Continued Examination as reflected by the September 19, 2003 entry from the PAIR file contests history record, a copy of which is attached hereto. Additionally, Applicant has attached a copy of the stamped postcard receipt reflecting receipt in the patent office on September 19, 2003 of the response.

In light of the foregoing, Applicant submits that a timely response was actually filed and indeed received by the patent office in a timely manner and accordingly, Applicant requests that the Examiner withdraw the abandoned status of this application and now consider the outstanding office action.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: April 8, 2004


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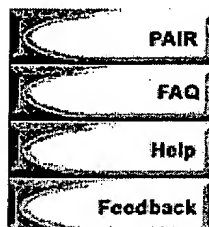
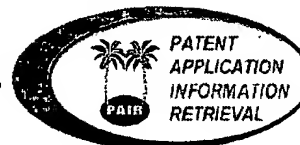


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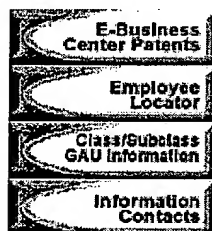
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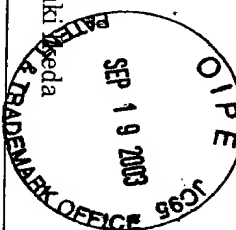
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Art Unit	2811
Examiner Name	Thien F. Tran
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
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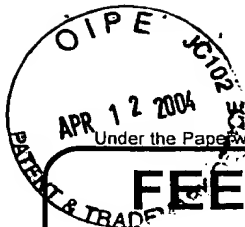
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Filed: March 29, 2001 Examiner: Thien Tran
Invention: "THIN FILM TRANSISTOR APPARATUS"

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
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In response to the Office Action dated March 19, 2003, please amend the application
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the
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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A display apparatus comprising:
a plurality of thin film transistors, each of said thin film transistor comprising a semiconductor thin film constituting a channel and having a threshold voltage, and a first gate electrode on one side of said semiconductor thin film and a second gate electrode on an opposite side of said semiconductor thin film,
and further comprising a means for adjusting the threshold voltage by applying a first threshold adjustment voltage to the second gate electrode when the first gate electrode receives a first control voltage and applying a second threshold adjustment voltage to the second gate electrode when the first electrode receives a second control voltage and wherein the voltage applied to the first gate electrode is different from the threshold adjustment voltage applied to the second gate electrode each during voltage application.
2. (Previously Amended) The semiconductor apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which does not contain an impurity, and has a thickness of 100 nm or less.
3. (Original) The semiconductor apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which contains an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness two times or less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

4. (Previously Canceled).

5. (Previously Canceled).

Please add the following new claims:

6. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display comprising a pair of substrates disposed having a predetermined gap, and a liquid crystal kept in said gap,

one of said substrates containing thereon a display portion in which a pixel electrode and a thin film transistor for driving said pixel electrode are integrated, and a peripheral circuit portion in which thin film transistors are integrated,

the other of said substrates containing thereon an opposite electrode which faces said pixel electrode,

each of said thin film transistors comprising a channel which has a predetermined threshold voltage and on-off operates depending on a gate voltage applied through a wiring, at least a part of said thin film transistors comprising a semiconductor thin film constituting said channel, and a first gate electrode and a second gate electrode, which are disposed on a surface and the other surface of said semiconductor thin film sandwiching an insulating film,

wherein said first gate electrode and said second gate electrode receive a first gate voltage and a second gate voltage, respectively, through wirings which are separately provided,

wherein said first gate electrode on-off controls said channel depending on said first gate voltage, and wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage to adjust the on-off operation of said thin film transistors and wherein the voltage applied to the first gate electrode is different from the voltage applied to the second gate electrode during voltage application.

7. (Original) The liquid crystal display according to claim 6, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness of 100 nm or less.

8. (Original) The liquid crystal display according to claim 7, wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer.

9. (Original) The liquid crystal display according to claim 6, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which contains an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness two times or less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

10. (Original) The liquid crystal display according to claim 9, wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel contains impurity of the same conductive type effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer.

11. (Original) The liquid crystal display according to claim 6, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors off operate, to thereby decrease a current flowing through said channel when said thin film transistors off-operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

12. (Original) The liquid crystal display according to claim 6, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors on operate, to thereby increase a current flowing through said channel when said thin film transistors on-operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

13. (Original) An electroluminescence display comprising a substrate having thereon a display portion in which an electroluminescence device and a thin film transistor for driving said electroluminescence device are integrated, and a peripheral circuit portion in which thin film transistors are integrated,

each of said thin film transistors comprising a channel which has a predetermined threshold voltage and on-off operates depending on a gate voltage applied through a wiring, at least a part of said thin film transistors comprising a semiconductor thin film constituting said channel, and a first gate electrode and a second gate electrode, which are disposed on a surface and a back surface of said semiconductor thin film through an insulating film,

wherein said first gate electrode and said second gate electrode receive a first gate voltage and a second gate voltage, respectively, through wirings which are separately provided,

wherein said first gate electrode on-off controls said channel depending on said first gate voltage, and

wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage to adjust the on-off operation of said thin film transistors and wherein the voltage applied to the first gate electrode is different from the voltage applied to the second gate electrode during voltage application.

14. (Original) The electroluminescence display according to claim 13, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness of 100 nm or less.

15. (Original) The electroluminescence display according to claim 14, wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer.

16. (Original) The electroluminescence display. according to claim 13, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which contains an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness two times or less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

17. (Original) The electroluminescence display according to claim 16, wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel contains impurity of the same conductive type effectively affecting the formation of a depletion. layer.

18. (Original) The electroluminescence display according to claim 13, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors off-operate, to thereby decrease a current flowing through said channel when said thin film transistors off operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

19. (Original) The electroluminescence display according to claim 13, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors on-operate, to thereby increase a current flowing through said channel when said thin film transistors on-operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

Please add the following new claim:

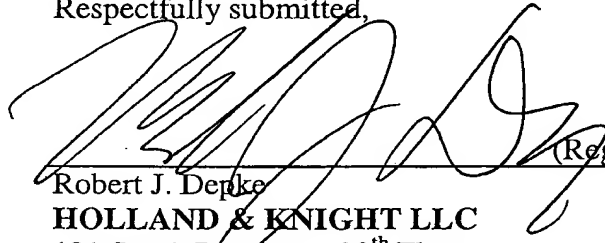
20. (Newly Added) A display apparatus comprising:
a plurality of thin film transistors, each of said thin film transistor comprising a semiconductor thin film constituting a channel and having a threshold voltage, and a first gate electrode above said semiconductor thin film and a second gate electrode below said semiconductor thin film,
and further comprising a means for adjusting the threshold voltage by applying a first threshold adjustment voltage to the second gate electrode when the first gate electrode receives a first control voltage and applying a second threshold adjustment voltage to the second gate electrode when the first electrode receives a second control voltage and wherein the voltage applied to the first gate electrode is different from the threshold adjustment voltage applied to the second gate electrode during voltage application.

REMARKS

Applicant has herein modified the claims to more specifically define the invention. Applicant submits that the prior art provides no teaching or suggestion whatsoever regarding the claimed distinct voltages applied to the first and second gate electrodes.

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